1

Sheet

PTO/SB/08a (07-05) Approved for use through 07/31/2008, OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

nd to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons STA TRADE Substitute for form 1449/PTO Complete if Known 10/829,270 **Application Number** INFORMATION DISCLOSURE April 22, 2004 STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Filing Date Richard B. EVANS **First Named Inventor** Date Submitted: April 28, 2006 1773 **Art Unit** Unassigned (Use as many sheets as necessary) **Examiner Name** 5165.1560 Attorney Docket Number

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear			
		Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)						
VC	A1	US-4,867,834	09-19-1989	ALENSKIS et al.				
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-		<u> </u>				
		US-						
		US-						
		US-	<u></u>					
		US-						
		US-						
		US						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-						
		US-	ļ					
		US-						
		US-						

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS									
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document  Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Documents	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	Т8				
						<u> </u>				
						<u> </u>				
						<b>↓</b>				

100		The second liverage of	
Examiner Signature	/Vivian Chen/	Date Considered	6/20/2006

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number optional. See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Office, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.